

Surah 55 Surah Ar-Rahmaan

THE MOST MERCIFUL

THE LINK BETWEEN SURAH AR RAHMAAN AND SURAH QAMAR

Surah Qamar declare that Allaah is the Creator of the universe and that Only He can assist people in need. *Surah Ar Rahmaan* states further that since Allaah is the source of all help, His name must surely be most blessed. He should also be regarded as the Fountainhead of all blessings. This stated in the concluding verse of the *Surah* where Allaah says, **“Blessed is the name of your Rabb, the Possessor of majesty and benevolence.”**

A SUMMARY OF THE SURAH

- * The beginning of the *Surah*, mentions nine logical proofs of Allaah's immense powers.
- * Verses 26 to 45 warn to the *Kuffaar* about the punishment they will have to face in this world and in the *Aakhirah*.
- * Verse 46 up to the end discuss the pleasures and bounties that the *Mu'mineen* will receive in Jannah.
- * The *Surah* repeatedly asks man and Jinn in a rhetorical manner which bounties of Allaah's do they reject by claiming.
- * These multiple bounties denote that Allaah is the Only source of blessings and fortune. Those who deny this fact will have to face terrible consequences in this world and in the *Aakhirah*.
- * However, those who will have *Imaan* and who accept this shall receive the everlasting bounties of Jannah.

سُوْرَةُ الرَّحْمٰنِ نِيْمَةٌ هِيَ ثَمَانٌ وَسَبْعُونَ اٰيَةً نُّزُلًا كُوْنَت
 بِسْمِ اللّٰهِ الرَّحْمٰنِ الرَّحِيْمِ ٠

In the name of Allaah, the Most Compassionate, the Most Merciful.

الرَّحْمٰنُ ١

1. Ar Rahmaan (The Most Compassionate - Allaah)...

عَلَّمَ الْقُرْآنَ ٢

2....taught the Qur'aan (to Rasulullaah ﷺ and to mankind, guiding them with it).

خَلَقَ الْاِنْسَانَ ٣

3. He created man...

عَلَّمَهُ الْبَيَانَ ٤

4....and (in addition to this favour, He even) taught him to speak.

الشَّمْسُ وَالْقَمَرُ حُسْبَانٍ ٥

5. (Another of His favours is that) The sun and moon are (travelling) by calculated courses (orbits which Allaah has set for them until their end of time). (Because of these fixed courses, man is able to accurately calculate time so that he can plan and organise his activities.)

وَالنَّجْمُ وَالشَّجَرُ يَسْجُدَانِ ٦

6. (Even) The creeper (shrub and the) tree prostrate (to Allaah in submission to Him).

وَالسَّمَاءُ رَفَعَهَا وَوَضَعَ الْمِيزَانَ ٧

7. He (Allaah) raised the sky (as a protective roof above the earth) and set up the scales (in this world by which man can properly weigh in trade so that none is unjust to another)...

أَلَّا تَطْغَوْا فِي الْمِيزَانِ ۝٨

8....so (in return for this favour ensure) that you do not transgress in the matter of the scale (do not cheat people when weighing their goods).

وَأَقِيمُوا الْوَزْنَ بِالْقِسْطِ وَلَا تُخْسِرُوا الْمِيزَانَ ۝٩

9. And (in return for this favour ensure) that you observe weight with justice and you do not weigh less in the scale (than what is due).

وَالْأَرْضَ وَضَعَهَا لِلْأَنَامِ ۝١٠

10. He (Allaah) has spread out the earth for people.

فِيهَا فَاكِهَةٌ وَالنَّخْلُ ذَاتُ الْأَكْمَامِ ۝١١

11. On it are fruit, palms with sheathed stalks,...

وَالْحَبُّ ذُو الْعَصْفِ وَالرَّيْحَانُ ۝١٢

12....seeds as chaff (fodder for animals) and sustenance (food for people and fragrant flowers) as well.

فَبِأَيِّ آلَاءِ رَبِّكُمَا تُكَذِّبِينَ ۝١٣

13. So which favours of your Rabb do the two of you (man and Jinn) deny? (Since you cannot deny any of Allaah's favours to you, you ought to express gratitude to Him by obeying Him and fulfilling His commands. After reciting this verse, Muslims should say, "O our Rabb! We do not deny any of Your bounties. All praise and admiration is for You Alone.")

خَلَقَ الْإِنْسَانَ مِنْ صَلْصَالٍ كَالْفَخَّارِ ۝١٤

14. He (Allaah) created (the first) man from melodious (sounding) sand that resembles potter's clay. (Allaah mixed sand with water to make clay and then used the clay to fashion the mould of the first man, Adam ﷺ. When the clay had dried, it became hard and it made a melodious sound when struck by hand, just like a clay pot or vase.)

وَخَلَقَ الْجَانَّ مِنْ مَّارٍجٍ مِنْ نَارٍ ۝١٥

15. And He created the (first) Jinn from pure leaping fire. (After creating the first pair of man and Jinn, the rest of the creation were born from them.)

فَيَا أَيُّهَا الَّذِينَ كَفَرُوا كَذَّبْتُمْ

16. So which favours of your Rabb do the two of you (man and Jinn) deny?

رَبِّ الْمَشْرِقَيْنِ وَرَبِّ الْمَغْرِبَيْنِ

17. (Allaah is) **The Rabb of the two Easts** (the two extreme points in the Eastern horizon where the sun rises throughout the year) **and the two Wests** (the two extreme points in the Western horizon where the sun sets throughout the year).

فَيَا أَيُّهَا الَّذِينَ كَفَرُوا كَذَّبْتُمْ

18. So which favours of your Rabb do the two of you deny?

مَجَّ الْبَحْرَيْنِ يَلْتَقِيَانِ

19. He has released (dislodged) the two (salty and fresh) waters so that they (appear to) meet.

بَيْنَهُمَا بَرْزَخٌ لَا يَبْغِيَانِ

20. (However,) **Between the two** (waters) **is a** (invisible) **barrier** so that the two do not transgress (do not mix with each other).

فَيَا أَيُّهَا الَّذِينَ كَفَرُوا كَذَّبْتُمْ

21. So which favours of your Rabb do the two of you deny?

يَخْرُجُ مِنْهُمَا اللُّؤْلُؤُ وَالْمَرْجَانُ

22. (Another of His favours is that) **Small and large pearls emerge from the two of them** (the two types of waters).

فَيَا أَيُّهَا الَّذِينَ كَفَرُوا كَذَّبْتُمْ

23. So which favours of your Rabb do the two of you deny?

وَلَهُ الْجَوَارِ الْمُنشَآتُ فِي الْبَحْرِ كَالْأَعْلَامِ

24. (In) His (control) are the raised (high) ships on the oceans (which are) like mountains (in size), (Despite their immense size, Allaah keeps the ships afloat so that man is able to derive great benefits from them.)

فَبِأَيِّ آلَاءِ رَبِّكُمَا تُكَذِّبِينَ ﴿١٥﴾

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25. So which favours of your Rabb do the two of you deny?

كُلُّ مَنْ عَلَيْهَا فَانٍ ﴿١٦﴾

26. Everything on earth shall perish (on the Day of Qiyaamah if not sooner).

وَيَبْقَىٰ وَجْهُ رَبِّكَ ذُو الْجَلَالِ وَالْإِكْرَامِ ﴿١٧﴾

27. (When this happens,) Only the countenance of your Rabb the Possessor of majesty and benevolence shall remain (forever, without ever perishing).

فَبِأَيِّ آلَاءِ رَبِّكُمَا تُكَذِّبِينَ ﴿١٨﴾

28. So which favours of your Rabb do the two of you deny?

يَسْأَلُهُ مَنْ فِي السَّمَوَاتِ وَالْأَرْضِ كُلَّ يَوْمٍ هُوَ فِي شَأْنٍ ﴿١٩﴾

29. All in the heavens and the earth ask (their needs) from Him and He is engaged in some matter every day (caring for and sustaining His creation).

فَبِأَيِّ آلَاءِ رَبِّكُمَا تُكَذِّبِينَ ﴿٢٠﴾

30. So which favours of your Rabb do the two of you deny?

سَنَفْرُغُ لَكُمْ أَيُّهَ الثَّقَلَيْنِ ﴿٢١﴾

31. We shall soon free Ourselves for you (to reckon with you on the Day of Qiyaamah), O the two of you groups (man and Jinn).

فَبِأَيِّ آلَاءِ رَبِّكُمَا تُكَذِّبِينَ ﴿٢٢﴾

32. So which favours of your Rabb do the two of you deny?

يَمْشُرُ الْجِنَّ وَالْإِنْسَ إِنْ اسْتَطَعْتُمْ أَنْ تَنْفُذُوا مِنْ أَقْطَارِ السَّمَوَاتِ وَالْأَرْضِ فَانْفُذُوا لَا تَنْفُذُونَ إِلَّا

سُلْطٰنٍ ۝۳۳

33. O assembly (gathering) of Jinn and man! If you are able to transcend (go beyond) the limits of the heavens and the earth (in an effort to escape My punishment), then (try to) do so. (However,) You will be unable to transcend (pass) without the power (which you can get only from Allaah).

فَبِاَيِّ الْاٰرِثٰتِكُمَا تَكْذِبٰنِ ۝۳۴

34. So which favours of your Rabb do the two of you deny?

يُرْسَلُ عَلَيْكُمَا شُوَاظٌ مِّنْ نَّارٍ وَّ نُحَاسٌ فَلَا تَنْتَصِرٰنِ ۝۳۵

35. (On the Day of Qiyaamah) A flame and smoke shall be unleashed on the two of you (man and Jinn in Jahannam) and you will be helpless to ward it off.

فَبِاَيِّ الْاٰرِثٰتِكُمَا تَكْذِبٰنِ ۝۳۶

36. So which favours of your Rabb do the two of you deny?

فَاِذَا انشَقَّتِ السَّمَاءُ فَكَانَتْ وَرْدَةً كَالدِّهَانِ ۝۳۷

37. (The time shall certainly come on the Day of Qiyaamah) When the sky shall split asunder and become red like hide (leather).

فَبِاَيِّ الْاٰرِثٰتِكُمَا تَكْذِبٰنِ ۝۳۸

38. So which favours of your Rabb do the two of you deny?

فَيَوْمَئِذٍ لَا يُسْأَلُ عَنْ ذَنْبِهِٗ اِنْسٌ وَلَا جَانٌّ ۝۳۹

39. On that day no man and no Jinn shall be asked (questioned) about his sins. (The asking will not be the usual enquiry to gain knowledge because Allaah has knowledge of everything. However, the asking will be merely to get them to admit their sins.)

فَبِاَيِّ الْاٰرِثٰتِكُمَا تَكْذِبٰنِ ۝۴۰

40. So which favours of your Rabb do the two of you deny?

يَعْرِفُ الْمُجْرِمُونَ بِسِيْمَتِهِمْ فَيُؤْخَذُ بِالنَّوَاصِي وَالْاَقْدَامِ ۝۴۱

41. The criminals *(the Kuffaar)* **will be recognised by their traits** *(among these will be their gloomy faces and terrified blue eyes)* **and will be seized by their forelocks** *(hair)* **and feet** *(and dragged into Jahannam).*

فَبِأَيِّ آلَاءِ رَبِّكُمَا تُكَذِّبِينَ ﴿٤١﴾

42. So which favours of your Rabb do the two of you deny?

هَذِهِ جَهَنَّمُ الَّتِي يُكَذِّبُ بِهَا الْمُجْرِمُونَ ﴿٤٢﴾

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43. (It will then be announced) “This is the Jahannam which the criminals *(Kuffaar)* used to deny.”

يُطَوَّقُونَ بَيْنَهَا وَبَيْنَ حَمِئٍ رَّانٍ ﴿٤٣﴾

44. They shall pass between it and the boiling water. *(Their punishment will alternate between suffering in Jahannam and sometimes drinking from the boiling water which will tear their internal organs.)*

فَبِأَيِّ آلَاءِ رَبِّكُمَا تُكَذِّبِينَ ﴿٤٤﴾

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45. So which favours of your Rabb do the two of you deny?

وَلِمَنْ خَافَ مَقَامَ رَبِّهِ جَنَّاتٌ ﴿٤٥﴾

46. The one who fears standing in the presence of his Rabb *(on the Day of Qiyaamah)* **shall have two gardens** *(of Jannah).* *(These two gardens of Jannah are reserved for those Mu'mineen who are extremely close to Allaah. The Jannah that other Mu'mineen will receive is mentioned from verse 62 onwards.)*

فَبِأَيِّ آلَاءِ رَبِّكُمَا تُكَذِّبِينَ ﴿٤٦﴾

47. So which favours of your Rabb do the two of you deny?

ذَوَاتَا أَفْنَانٍ ﴿٤٧﴾

48. Both these *(gardens)* **shall be filled with branches** *(trees laden with fruit).*

فَبِأَيِّ آلَاءِ رَبِّكُمَا تُكَذِّبِينَ ﴿٤٨﴾

49. So which favours of your Rabb do the two of you deny?

فِيهِمَا عَيْنَانِ تَجْرِيْنَ ﴿٤٩﴾

50. In both (gardens) there shall be two gushing springs (fountains).

فَبِأَيِّ آلَاءِ رَبِّكُمَا تُكَذِّبِينَ ﴿٥١﴾

51. So which favours of your Rabb do the two of you deny?

فِيهِمَا مِنْ كُلِّ فَاكِهَةٍ زَوْجٌ ﴿٥٢﴾

52. In both there shall be a pair of every fruit (the same fruit with different flavours).

فَبِأَيِّ آلَاءِ رَبِّكُمَا تُكَذِّبِينَ ﴿٥٣﴾

53. So which favours of your Rabb do the two of you deny?

مُتَّكِئِينَ عَلَى فُرُشٍ بَطَائِنُهَا مِنْ إِسْتَبْرَقٍ وَجَنَى الْجَنَّتَيْنِ دَانٍ ﴿٥٤﴾

54. They (the people of Jannah) shall recline on bedding (couches) lined with thick silk. The fruit of both gardens shall be extremely close (at hand, requiring no effort to pluck them).

فَبِأَيِّ آلَاءِ رَبِّكُمَا تُكَذِّبِينَ ﴿٥٥﴾

55. So which favours of your Rabb do the two of you deny?

فِيهِنَّ قُصِرَتُ الظُّرُفُ لَمْ يَطْمِئْتُنَّ إِنْسٌ قَبْلَهُمْ وَلَا جَانٌ ﴿٥٦﴾

56. In these gardens, there shall be maidens with lowered (modest) gazes whom no man or Jinn has ever touched.

فَبِأَيِّ آلَاءِ رَبِّكُمَا تُكَذِّبِينَ ﴿٥٧﴾

57. So which favours of your Rabb do the two of you deny?

كَأَنَّهُنَّ الْيَاقُوتُ وَالْمَرْجَانُ ﴿٥٨﴾

58. They (these maidens) seem to appear like rubies and pearls (because of their delicate and clear complexions).

فَبِأَيِّ آلَاءِ رَبِّكُمَا تُكَذِّبِينَ ﴿٥٩﴾

59. So which favours of your Rabb do the two of you deny?

هَلْ جَزَاءُ الْإِحْسَانِ إِلَّا الْإِحْسَانُ ﴿٦٠﴾

60. Can the reward for good be anything but good? *(The reward for the good done in this world will be the excellent bounties of the Aakhirah.)*

فَبِأَيِّ آلَاءِ رَبِّكُمَا تُكَذِّبِينَ ﴿٦١﴾

61. So which favours of your Rabb do the two of you deny?

وَمِنْ دُونِهِمَا جَنَّتَيْنِ ﴿٦٢﴾

62. Lesser than these two gardens *(of Jannah)* are another two gardens *(reserved for all the other Mu'mineen)*.

فَبِأَيِّ آلَاءِ رَبِّكُمَا تُكَذِّبِينَ ﴿٦٣﴾

63. So which favours of your Rabb do the two of you deny?

مُدْهَامَتَيْنِ ﴿٦٤﴾

64. Both *(are)* dark green *(because of their lush foliage)*.

فَبِأَيِّ آلَاءِ رَبِّكُمَا تُكَذِّبِينَ ﴿٦٥﴾

65. So which favours of your Rabb do the two of you deny?

فِيهِمَا عَيْنَيْنِ تَظَّارِحَتَيْنِ ﴿٦٦﴾

66. Both have gushing springs *(fountains)*.

فَبِأَيِّ آلَاءِ رَبِّكُمَا تُكَذِّبِينَ ﴿٦٧﴾

67. So which favours of your Rabb do the two of you deny?

فِيهِمَا فَاكِهَةٌ وَنَخْلٌ وَرُمَّانٌ ﴿٦٨﴾

68. In both are fruits, date palms and pomegranates. *(Although sharing their names with those fruit*

found in this world, the fruit of Jannah will be vastly superior in every way.)

فَبِأَيِّ آلَاءِ رَبِّكُمَا تُكَذِّبِينَ ﴿٦٩﴾

69. So which favours of your Rabb do the two of you deny?

فِيهِنَّ خَيْرَاتٌ حِسَانٌ ﴿٧٠﴾

70. In them are good and beautiful women (who will be their wives). (Apart from their physical beauty, the women of Jannah will also possess excellent qualities and character.)

فَبِأَيِّ آلَاءِ رَبِّكُمَا تُكَذِّبِينَ ﴿٧١﴾

71. So which favours of your Rabb do the two of you deny?

حُورٌ مَّقْصُورَاتٌ فِي الْخِيَامِ ﴿٧٢﴾

72. (Describing these women further, Allaah says that they will be) Fair damsels sheltered in tents (camps).

فَبِأَيِّ آلَاءِ رَبِّكُمَا تُكَذِّبِينَ ﴿٧٣﴾

73. So which favours of your Rabb do the two of you deny?

لَمْ يَطْمِثْهُنَّ إِنْسٌ قَبْلَهُمْ وَلَا جَانٌّ ﴿٧٤﴾

74. Neither any man nor Jinn has ever touched them.

فَبِأَيِّ آلَاءِ رَبِّكُمَا تُكَذِّبِينَ ﴿٧٥﴾

75. So which favours of your Rabb do the two of you deny?

مُتَكِينِينَ عَلَى رُفُوفٍ خَضِرٍ وَعَبَقَرِيِّ حِسَانٍ ﴿٧٦﴾

76. The people of Jannah shall recline on green cushions and most beautiful carpets.

فَبِأَيِّ آلَاءِ رَبِّكُمَا تُكَذِّبِينَ ﴿٧٧﴾

77. So which favours of your Rabb do the two of you deny?

تَبَارَكَ اسْمُ رَبِّكَ ذِي الْجَلَالِ وَالْإِكْرَامِ ﴿٧٨﴾

78. Blessed is the name of your Rabb, the Possessor of majesty and benevolence (ground).

بِسْمِ اللَّهِ الرَّحْمَنِ الرَّحِيمِ